

ST. FRANCIS FALL FOR GREENVILLE DONATES \$45,000 TO LOCAL COMMUNITY

Nine nonprofit organizations benefit from annual event

Greenville, S.C. – St. Francis Fall for Greenville board members and event partners today presented \$45,000 to nine nonprofit organizations from the local community and recognized the efforts of those organizations who committed substantial volunteer hours over the course of the three-day event. All funds donated came from the 2012 St. Francis Fall for Greenville held last October.

Local charities each receiving grants from St. Francis Fall for Greenville included:

- Boy Scout Troop 260
- Gateway House
- Greenville In Harmony
- Greenville Chinese Cultural Association
- United Way Hands On Greenville
- Newcomers Club of Greater Greenville on behalf of Loaves & Fishes
- Red Shoe Society on behalf of Ronald McDonald House
- Surgeons For Sight
- Neonatal Care Unit at St. Francis Eastside

"BlueCross BlueShield of South Carolina was excited to be the Volunteer Sponsor at the annual event," said Jim Shew, Regional Director. "Everyone who attends the festival truly enjoys Greenville's beautiful downtown, pleasant fall weather, amazing food options from our city's restaurants, and a warm, family friendly atmosphere. What's even better is that the festival also gives back to local charities with net proceeds to benefit our community even more. We are very proud to be associated with this event and the volunteers who make it happen."

This year's festival is scheduled for October 11-13, 2013. Nonprofit organizations or groups interested in volunteering at this year's festival can contact Volunteer Services Coordinator Elane Fleming at 467-2726 or efleming@greenvillesc.gov.

About St. Francis Fall for Greenville

St. Francis Fall for Greenville is one of the largest street festivals in South Carolina, attracting between 150,000 - 200,000 people from across the Upstate and beyond. Recognized as a Top 20 Event in the Southeast, the three-day festival features over 40 of Greenville's finest restaurants. In addition to providing a taste of Greenville, St. Francis Fall for Greenville provides an array of ancillary events including musical entertainment on six stages, culinary demonstrations, children's rides, wine tasting, a beer garden and restaurant competitions. For more information about St. Francis Fall for Greenville, visit www.fallforgreenville.net.

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